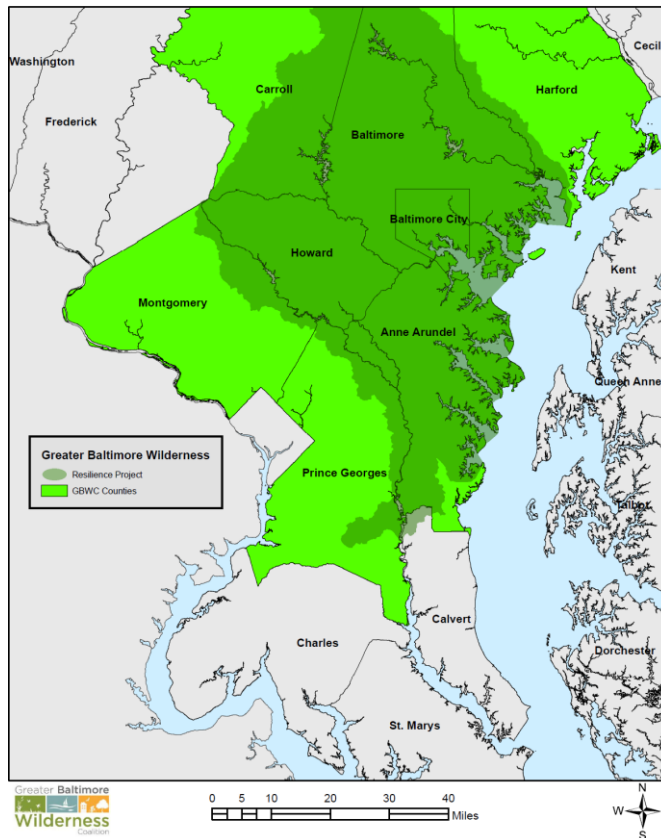


Greater Baltimore Wilderness Coastal Resilience Project



The Greater Baltimore Wilderness Coalition is a voluntary alliance of public agencies, non-governmental organizations, professional associations, and conservation coalitions that supports the vision of expanding a connected and protected green infrastructure network in populous central Maryland from the Chesapeake Bay to the Piedmont.



Among its activities, the Coalition seeks to improve regional capacity to respond successfully to the impacts of a changing climate. Green infrastructure investments on a regional basis at all scales, landscape through site-specific, can provide cost-effective protection for valuable transportation, energy and water treatment infrastructure, shield homes and businesses from adverse impacts, and provide additional benefits, particularly for underserved and vulnerable populations.

The Coalition is currently engaged in a project to develop a regional vision for climate resilience which will identify key green infrastructure investments across the Patapsco, Patuxent and Gunpowder River watersheds.

Project Activities:

- Map existing green infrastructure contributing to coastal storm resilience
- Prioritize and map green infrastructure enhancement opportunities taking into account sea level rise and inland flooding projections
- Evaluate best governance mechanisms for managing and protecting green infrastructure
- Build a better regional green infrastructure network

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Project Timeline:

January 2015 – September 2016

Project Team:

The Conservation Fund, American Planning Association, US Geological Survey, US Fish & Wildlife Service, Chesapeake Conservancy, Center for Chesapeake Communities.

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